

August 2nd, 2026
~ 18th Ordinary Sunday ~

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Sunday, August 9th ~ 9:30AM

Lector: Philip Deal

EM: Philip Deal, Paul Thielen, Carol Nelson

Servers: Gentry McKinley & Lachlyn McKinley

Ushers: Lenny Zimmer & Mike Marxen

Home Communion: Fr. John Paul

Fellowship: Herman Barutt & Deb Mucha

Save The Date

Sunday, August 9th ~ Fellowship after Mass

Tuesday, August 11th ~ 6:00pm – Finance Council

Tuesday, August 11th ~ 7:00pm – Church Council

Prayer List

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Carole Schmitz, Carrie Frisch,
Kaye LeCuyer, Darlys Forcier, Mary & Willie Rinke,
Shirley Montonye, Wally Hennen, Carol Marihart
Roger & Kathi Schmitz, Gene Stueve, Leann Stoneburg,
Carol and Dave Anderson,
and all of our military who are deployed

The Wheaton Sons of the American Legion

Chicken, Pork, & Sweet Corn Fundraiser

Thursday, August 6th ~ 5:00pm til Gone

At the Wheaton American Legion

Free Will Offering ~ All Proceeds go to SAL Programs

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Stewardship as a Way of Life: “Jesus said to them, ‘There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves’.”

- Matthew 14:16

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9th Annual Mel's Open Golf Tournament

Sunday, September 13th at the Wheaton Country Club

Open to everyone, 3 or 4 people on a team. Money raised will go to the Ave Maria Religious Education Program.

Please call the church office at 563-4421 to register.

The tourney will consist of 18 holes and tee off is at 1:00 pm. Please arrive at 12:30 for the rules meeting. We will be having a potluck supper in the church basement after the tournament and we will also hand out prizes.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Aug 3rd – Aug 9th)

MON ~ No Mass ~

TUE Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~

WED Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton † Billy Lee & Tom Morgan

Mass – 5:30 pm St. Mary's Cemetery ~

THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~

Mass – 5:30 pm Calvary Cemetery ~

FRI Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~

Mass – 10:00 am TCC † Billy Connelly

SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton † Cleo Hennen

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, July 26th

Adult \$1205. Loose \$209. Votive \$36
Fellowship \$106. Mass Intentions \$10.

Hour of POWER:

7:00 am Adoration & 8:00 am Rosary
Tues (Chokio), Wed (Wheaton), Thurs (B.V)

Confessions: 5:30 pm

Tues (Chokio), Wed (None), Thurs (None)

St. Mary's Cemetery Mass: on Wed, Aug 5th, @ 5:30 pm

Calvary Cemetery Mass: on Thur, Aug 6th, @ 5:30 pm

No Confessions on Wed & Thur as a result.

Chokio Foxy Ladys: congrats on being World Champions!!

Great season to **Clinton, Dumont, & Herman!**

LAST CALL - Pilgrimage to Rome & Switzerland

There is an opportunity opened up for anyone wishing to make a 13 day pilgrimage to Italy & Switzerland this Sept. 3rd – 15th, 2026, along with Father John Paul. Entails: Rome, Assisi, Florence, Venice, Pompeii, Milan, etc.

Cost of \$5,999.00 covers airfare, 4-5 star hotels, etc.

For more info - <https://www.proximotravel.com/about-us/>
office@proximotravel.com or 508-505-6059

Could be a break from summer & a primer for harvest!



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Miller 320-695-2137 or 2376 or Edith Foren 320-695-2260

Liturgical Ministers – August 9 - 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Mike Toelle

EM: Mike Toelle, Edith Foren & Brenda Pederson

Choir & Congregation: Brenda Bartz & Cindy Haggerty

Servers: Ryhette & Rylie Metz

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Keith & Cindy Haggerty

Ushers: David Nigg & Bob Metz

Home Communion: Bernice Piechowski

Sacristan: Sue Toelle

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Information on the trip in September can be found on the bulletin board. Help yourself to one of the flyers if you are interested in signing up. Thanks.

BLOODMOBILE: August 12 from 12 – 6 P.M. AT THE American Legion. Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Lunch provided. Call 605-694-2769 for appointment. Walk-ins welcome. Give the gift of life.

Journey with St. Francis will be held on the Franciscan Sisters Campus in Little Falls on Thursday, August 13 beginning at 8:30 a.m. Sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. No fee but pre-registration is required by July 27th. Call Linda at 320-293-1839 to register. See poster in back.

The Abby of the Hills is sponsoring a “Our Lady of the Snows” day on August 5th. Join Retire Bishop Donald Kettler, along with other area priests. Mass is 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30. Check out the bulletin board to find the registration information.

If you want the broken long pew behind the altar, call or text Marlene at 605-237-3399. Or leave a message at the office 320-695-2621.



St. Mary's ~ Chokio

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Ministry Schedule, 19th Sunday Ordinary Time, Aug. 9, 8:00 am

EM's: Bruce Berlinger & Dave Asfeld

Lector: Sandi Marlow-Weber

Ushers: Brian Marty & Keith Marty

Servers: Hannah Marty & Lillian Marty

Sacristan: Keith & Maria Marty

Summer Schedule:

---Finance Council Meeting, 6 p.m., & Parish Council Meeting, 7 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4th

---August 5th, Wed., Cemetery Mass, 5:30 p.m. with potluck to follow in Hall.

---Aug. 7th, First Friday Mass, 8:30 a. m. w/adoration at 7:30 a. m.

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle Winners July 27th-July 31st: Jessica Krogsrud, \$130; Steve Koch, \$130; Chad & Lisa Burton, \$130; Jeremy & Molly Westerman (Caelyn) \$130; Vivian Heltemes, \$130. That concludes our 2026 Calendar Raffle. Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all who purchased tickets! Thanks to Mary Koch, for chairing the raffle again, and to those who helped her with sales: Mary Lou & Donna Berlinger and Kathy & Kerri Asmus!

Turkey & Sweet Corn Supper (all you can eat). Sunday, Aug. 2nd, 5-7 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, Alberta, MN. Free Will Offering.

National Night Out, August 4th, Tuesday, 5-7 pm at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Chokio, bringing emergency workers together with neighbors under positive circumstances!.

Knights of Columbus will have a meeting Tuesday, August 4th at 7 p. m. at Pomme de Terre Park in Morris. Lunch will be served.

Catholic United Financial to hold workshop: It's estimated that 7 out of 10 American adults will need long-term care services later in life costing between \$20,000 to \$160,000 annually. Yet most people haven't factored these costs into their long-term planning. Attend our "Funding Strategies for Long-Term Care" educational workshop to learn how a long-term care funding plan can help protect the estate you've worked a lifetime to build. Guest speaker John Tetzloff, Director of Sales for CUF will share how to avoid an asset-depleting "spend down," and explain four options to fund a long-term care plan. Reserve your seat today at Holy Rosary Parish Center, Graceville, on August 13th at 5:45 p.m. This workshop is sponsored by CUF and hosted by Brian Zitzmann. To save your seat call 1-800-441-9949 or email workshops@catholicunited.org.